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Current Events

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Ohio

Cincinnati.—The Latin Section of the Central Ohio Teachers' Association which met in Cincinnati, Ohio, Friday and Saturday, November 10 and 11, held its meeting at Woodward High School on Friday afternoon.

The program follows: Conductor, Superintendent Henry Hartman, Marion, Ohio; "Latin Composition," Dr. Arthur W. Hodgman, of Ohio State University; "Importance of Historical Setting in Teaching Latin," Laura G. Wagner, Delaware High School; "How to Popularize Latin," Bertha Winch, Steele High School, Dayton; "Value of Latin in Our Course of Study," Anna Fife, Marion High School; "Nature in the *Aeneid*," Lulu Cumbach, Springfield High School; "What Purposes Does High-School Latin Serve?" M. J. Flannery, Hamilton High School; "The Comparison of the *Aeneid* as an Epic of Patriotism with Shakespeare's *Henry Fifth*," Harriet R. Kirby, North High School, Columbus; "Some Prime Objects in Teaching Cicero," Carrie B. Allen, Newark High School.

Columbus.—The third year of the Columbus Latin Club opened auspiciously on November 25, with a dinner at the Hotel Southern. Thirty-five assembled. Professor Benjamin L. D'Ooge was the guest of honor. Place cards were provided reproducing in India ink small classical figures with a Latin quotation, adapted from D'Ooge's *Latin for Beginners*. The social hour spent about the festal board proved a happy way of bringing together congenial spirits who follow the daily round in places quite widely separated.

In an address upon "Methods of First-Year Latin," Professor D'Ooge traced in an interesting and highly suggestive manner the development of the attractive modern textbooks and methods of teaching, creating in his listeners renewed enthusiasm for their profession.

Following brief remarks by Professors S. C. Derby, of Ohio State University, the discussion was led by Miss Watters, of East High, Miss Reel, of Indianola Junior High, and Dr. Hodgman, of Ohio State. Miss Feill (South High) presided.

This club has resulted in much pleasure and great profit to its members.

Wisconsin

At the *Latin Conference of the Wisconsin State Teachers' Association*, on November 10, the following papers were read: "What is Essential to First-Year Work in Subject-Matter and Method of Teaching?" Miss Leta M. Wilson, High School, Madison; Discussion opened by Mr. Wallace Reiss, South Division High School, Milwaukee; "Devices in the Teaching of Latin," Miss Lucia E. Danforth, Platteville Normal School; Discussion opened by Mr. Donald Frank, East Division High School, Milwaukee. The meeting of the conference was the most successful that has even been held, and the papers were suggestive and helpful. Beginning with this year a closer acquaintance will be formed by means of a card catalogue kept by the secretary, containing the names and addresses of teachers who attend. The president is Miss Lucia Danforth, Platteville Normal School; the secretary-treasurer, Wallace Reiss, South Division High School, Milwaukee.

Iowa

The Latin Teachers' Round Table of the State Teachers' Association on November 10 was well attended. Subjects of papers were "The Rightful Place of Latin in Our Present Educational System," by Professor F. H. Potter, of the State University; and "The Maintenance of Latin in Its Rightful Place," by Lillian E. Dimmitt, of Morningside College.

The Auxiliary Section of the Classical Association of the Middle West and South, for which a place has been given on the regular program for several years, held an interesting session. A large number of the Latin Round Table are members of the larger association. The interests of the association were presented by Professor Smiley, vice-president for Iowa, and several enthusiastic voluntary addresses were made in its favor. Twenty-one new members were added to the association at this meeting.

The Iowa State Hellenic Society held its annual meeting on November 10 in connection with the meeting of the State Teachers' Association. The society voted to hold its spring meeting in May at Iowa City. A committee was appointed to draft a communication concerning Greek, to be mailed later in the year, to Freshmen of all colleges in the state. President J. H. T. Main, of Grinnell, is the president of the society.

Prior to the meeting of the Hellenic Society, the Greek Round Table held its session. The papers and addresses were presented by persons not professionally interested in Greek. President John G. Bowman, president of the State University, Professor R. B. McLennon, professor of mathematics, Grinnell College, and Colonel Alonzo Abernethy, once president of the old University of Chicago, made addresses. The meeting was of a very encouraging nature.

Kansas

The usual *Classical Round Table* was held in connection with the State Teachers' Association, on November 10. The attendance was unusually

large, a speaker from outside the state having been for the first time provided by the general management. This was Professor Benjamin D'Ooge, who gave a paper on "The Classical Outlook," and later conducted a question-box exercise.

The meeting of the Classical Association of Kansas and Missouri will be held in the spring.

Colorado

The following program was furnished by the *Classical Section of the Colorado Teachers' Association* on November 28: "What the Year's Work in Caesar Should Do for a Pupil," H. M. Barrett, Pueblo; "The Trojan Women of Euripides, Translated by Gilbert Murray," Mrs. L. C. Greenlee, Denver; "Latin as an Aid to English," Miss Anna Lister, Denver; Discussion, Rev. William O'Ryan, Denver; W. H. Smiley, Denver; Dr. M. F. Libby, University of Colorado. The classics were well represented in the various sections of the general program.

Washington

Seattle.—The recently organized Classical Association of the Pacific Northwest in its second session were the guests of the University of Washington, at Seattle, December 29 and 30, holding its meetings in conjunction with the Philological Society of Washington. All teachers in the classics and all persons interested in classical studies in the states of Oregon and Washington were invited to attend and participate.

Florida

The Classical Association of the State of Florida held its second annual conference at Jacksonville, December 28, in connection with the State Educational Association, of which it is a recognized department. All the members are members also of the Classical Association of the Middle West and South. The program was as follows: I, "Can Florida Afford to Neglect the Classics?" Clarence E. Boyd, Florida State College for Women; II, Symposium, "Greek and Latin in Florida"; (1) "The Present Status of Classical Study in Our Universities and Colleges," James N. Anderson, University of Florida, and Edmund M. Hyde, Rollins College; (2) "The Present Status of Classical Study in Our High Schools," W. M. Holloway, state superintendent of schools, and W. N. Sheats, Lakeland; (3) "The Classical Course in the Curriculum of the Modern College," Nathaniel M. Salley, Florida State College for Women, and Charles S. Farris, John B. Stetson University; (4) "The Classical Course in the Curriculum of the Modern High School," M. J. Okerlund, Perry, and B. B. Lane, Starke.

The officers are C. E. Boyd, Florida State College, president; W. N. Sheats, Lakeland, vice-president; Miss Lucile Patton, New Smyrna, secretary.